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SUBJECT: UAEG BLACKLISTS FIRMS FOR VIOLATING LABOR LAWS

1. (U) Local press reported that the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs blacklisted 375 companies in Abu Dhabi and 549 in Dubai and the Northern Emirates between January 1 and June 30 for violating labor laws. The Ministry inspected over 10,000 businesses in Dubai and the Northern Emirates during this period to ensure that companies were properly applying health and safety

laws. The blacklisted companies cannot obtain work or sponsorship permits, or have any dealings with the Ministry until they fix their problems. The Ministry reinstated 176 companies during the same period for redressing their errors.

¶2. (SBU) Comment: The Ministry of Labor has committed itself publicly to strictly regulating and enforcing labor laws. The inspection and blacklisting of so many firms demonstrates the Ministry's resolve in implementing its ambitious agenda of effectively policing local labor conditions. End comment.

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